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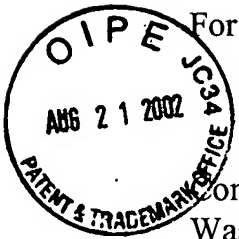
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby direct the Examiner's attention to the following documents cited in the International Search Report for International Application PCT/IB00/01112 of which the above-referenced application is a National Stage:

- (1) JP 2000-72680 A (Shumeido K.K.), 7 March 2000;
- (2) JP 2000-239171 A (Tokai Kyoiku Sangyo K.K.), 5 September 2000;
- (3) JP 10-130153 A (Shumeido K.K.), 19 May 1998;
- (4) JP 9-227388 A (Naganushi Tetsuaki), 2 September 1997;
- (5) JP 7-233061 A (Global Art K.K.), 5 September 1995;
- (6) JP 6-336427 A (Global Art K.K.), 6 December 1994;

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(7) JP 5-310581 A (Koken K.K.), 22 November 1993.

Copies of the above-listed documents and English abstracts thereof (as provided by Patent Abstracts of Japan) are enclosed together with a completed copy of the PTO-1449 Form listing these documents. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to consider these documents and to indicate such consideration by returning a signed and initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form with the next official communication.

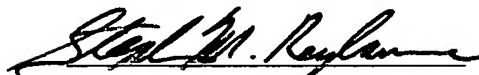
Also enclosed is the English version of the International Preliminary Examination Report for International Application PCT/IB00/01112 of which the instant application is a National Stage. Consideration of this document is respectfully requested as well.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the Merits has not been received in the instant application. However, should such an Office Action have crossed the instant Information Disclosure Statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) and any other fee that may be necessary for the consideration of this statement to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

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If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned
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